

Appl. No. 09/447,900
Amdt. dated September 20, 2005
Reply to Office action of May 20, 2005

Docket No. 93SC024RE

Remarks/Arguments:

Claims 1 - 7 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting over Claim 8 of US Pat. No. 5,504,603 and Claim 35 of US Pat. No. 6,320,634.

With this response, a "Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate Double Patenting Rejection Over Prior Patent" is filed under 37 CFR 1.321(c) for each of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,504,603 and 6,320,634. If an authorization to charge fees in this application to a deposit account is not already be on file, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Director to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to deposit account 18-1750.


The terminal disclaimer, a petition for extension of time, and a statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) accompany this response.

It is believed that the case is now in condition for allowance, and an early notification of the same is requested. If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview will help further the prosecution of this case, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed telephone number.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on March 22, 2004.

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